



DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Promoting and protecting health, well-being, self-sufficiency, and safety of all in Marin County.



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SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS), requests adoption of resolutions establishing the FY 2021-22 Schedule of Charges for community mental health system of care services and also county operated substance use treatment services.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the President to adopt a resolution establishing the FY 2021-22 Schedule of Charges for county operated mental health system of care services.
2. Authorize the President to adopt a resolution establishing the FY 2021-22 Schedule of Charges for county operated substance use treatment services.

SUMMARY: The Department's Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) conducted a fee analysis that indicates the current charges for mental health system of care services are below the projected cost of services for FY 2021-22. A similar analysis indicated the current charges for its county operated substance use treatment services are also below the projected cost of services for FY 2021-22. The analysis was based on the latest mental health cost report, increased by approximately 3% each fiscal year based on average percentage of annual historical cost increases.

The current BHRS Schedules of Charges were approved by your Board on July 14, 2020. The proposed rate revisions ensure that BHRS maximizes its Medi-Cal and other health coverage revenues.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: The State requires that clients who are not full scope Medi-Cal or who are not insured by other health benefits be charged on a State-established sliding fee schedule, based on income, family size, and other factors which determine a client's ability to pay.

EQUITY IMPACT: BHRS mental health and substance use services are available to all eligible clients without regard to race, language, or national origin. BHRS works to ensure that services are provided in a culturally and linguistically

responsive manner to all clients. Most low-income clients will not be impacted by this change.

FISCAL IMPACT: There will be no increase in General Fund Net County cost as a result of your Board’s approval. The proposed rate revisions more accurately reflect the cost of services and ensures that BHRS can maximize its Medi-Cal reimbursement from the State through its annual cost report process. As the cost settlement process operates several fiscal years in arrears, there will not be a FY 2021-22 revenue increase associated with the proposed rate change. BHRS will work with the CAO to make the appropriate adjustments should additional revenue be received in a future fiscal year.

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Respectfully submitted,

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